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Applicant: Hiroyuki SHIMIZU et al. Conf.: 7526

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For: METHOD FOR INHIBITING THE DEGRADATION  
OF NATRIURETIC PEPTIDES COMPRISING  
CONTAINERS MADE OF OR COATED WITH  
MATERIALS INHIBITING THE ACTIVATION OF  
SUBSTANCES DEGRADING THEM (AS AMENDED)

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Sir:

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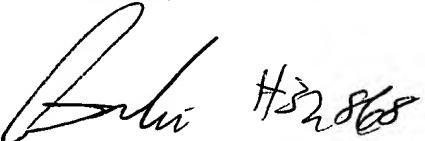
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Respectfully submitted,

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